Protest won't stop clinics

Dr. Gerald Alexander, one of three college doctors, said health clinic services would not be disrupted by doctors' days of protest scheduled for this month.

Dr. Alexander said area doctors were asked to close their offices Feb. 10 and attend a district meeting in Hamilton. The meetings are being held to put pressure on the government for more money and to "discuss the media's handling of the situation."

The doctor said he thinks the majority of doctors will be involved on Feb. 10 but he doesn't plan to attend the meeting.

Dr. Alexander said he questions the figures reported in newspapers on the average earnings of doctors. He said doctors in Welland don't make $93,000 per year, the figures released by the Ontario Health Insurance Plan.

Their one-year contract runs out April 30.

Eat all you want for $1

Celebrity pancake flippers will be on hand to prepare the flapjacks for Wednesday morning's Pancake Breakfast in the cafeteria.

College president Jacqueline Robarts and Dr. Nora McCardell, executive director of educational and student services, will pour the batter on the grill for the all-you-can-eat for $1 special.

The breakfast, part of the Great White North days winter carnival, will begin at 7:30 a.m.

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Today's forecast

Southern Ontario can expect some snow today with highs from -3 to -7C and lows dipping from -8 to -12C.

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It was not a parade or convention that resulted in this line-up of cars on every campus road. Instead, students and staff were unable to fill the parking lots which were already full—of snow. See more pictures page 2

(Photo by Harris)

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Star look-alikes

Niagara College has some star qualities that make one take a second look. See pictures on page 2.

War of 1812

The Niagara peninsula might not have been Canadian if a victory was not won 177 years ago. See page 5 for story on Cook's Mills.

Further coverage of upcoming Celebrate Canada events are covered on page 8.

Tech women

The role of women in technology is increasing and Niagara College's women are no different. See story on page 6.

Playoff spot

Niagara's basketball Knights are in fifth place after two wins against Canadore and Cambridge Colleges. See page 10 for details.

Acting dean

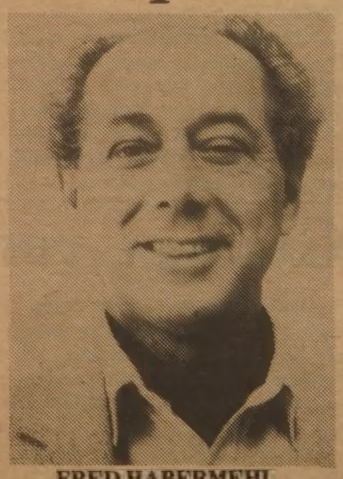
Will 'mesh activities' to cope with 2 posts

By LINDA FORD
Staff Writer

Fred Habermehl, dean of health sciences, has been appointed acting dean of applied science and technology until a permanent replacement for Dr. William Stuart can be hired, Jacqueline Robarts, college president, announced last week.

Dr. Stuart resigned Jan. 22 and will be leaving the college Feb. 26. He had joined the college of technology of the State University of New York at Utica.

The decision to appoint Mr. Habermehl came at the Board of Governors meeting Jan. 28. Miss Robarts said in a memorandum that "this will provide the necessary interim managerial leadership required until a new dean can be appointed."



FRED HABERMEHL

LOT IN COMMON

Mr. Habermehl, 54, said he expected the appointment to last at least until September. He said health sciences and technology were both fairly small schools and had a lot in common.

"It is not a doubling of my work," he said. "I'll just have to mesh my activities.

"My first job will be to get to know the programs." He said he also wants to tour industries to see where the students go.

"Technology is an increasingly important part of the college." He said he would like a better insight into it.

STARTED IN 1968

Mr. Habermehl has been dean of health sciences for seven-and-a-half years. He said he started at Niagara College as an English teacher in 1968.

The memorandum from Miss Robarts said the administrative officers for the two schools will remain the same.

In it she said a committee will be set up to interview all internal candidates as well as a selection of external candidates.

The board hopes to fill the post by September.

4 plows break down, create parking chaos

Unending lines of cars parked on campus roads were a result of the chaos after last weekend's ice storm. Snow-filled parking lots, ice stairs and cars jammed in back rows of parking lots resulted when all four snow plows broke down.

Jack A. Spittle, director of plant and property services, said the four plows were broken from hitting ice and buried obstacles. As of Tuesday morning, some parking lots had not been touched or were partially plowed. Cars were parked on one side of campus roads and out on Woodlawn Road.

The college has a contract with Joe Harrison for plowing the parking lots, whereas, the stairs and sidewalks are the responsibility of the college.

"What we have is a chaotic mess right now," Mr. Spittle said last week. "We are responsible for the parking lots in the sense that we have to make sure they're taken care of."

Parking lot A was plowed Tuesday as much as possible. Cars had blocked the entrance to the back row "which only compounded the problem," Mr. Spittle said.

The college owns a sander for the parking lots but the contractor must bring in his plows after every storm. When parked cars make it impossible to clear out the snow "the bulk of the work must be done at night," Mr. Spittle said.

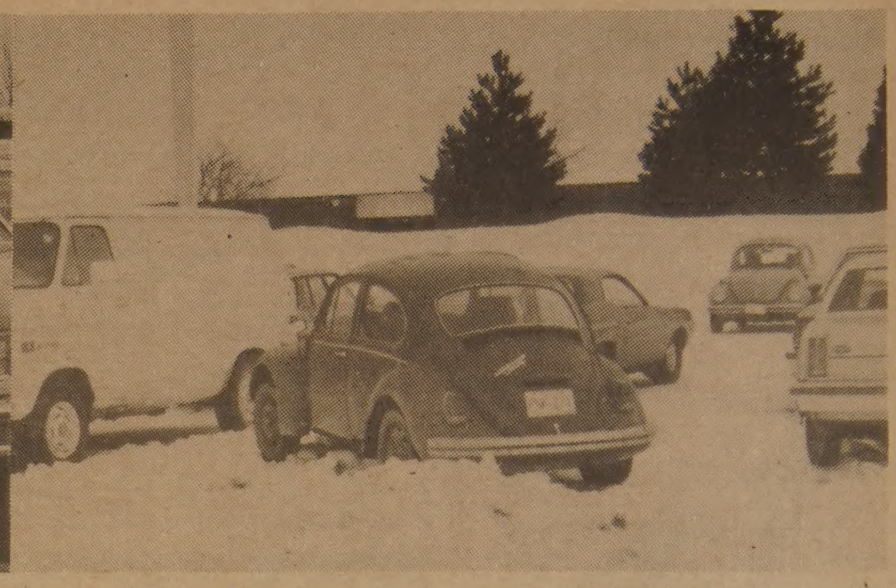
Mr. Spittle hoped the plows would be repaired Tuesday and all parking lots cleared by Wednesday.

Success in positive thinking but not in success seminar

Plans for a seminar on how to be successful in life turned out to be unsuccessful.

The seminar, which was to be held Feb. 11, was postponed — but not because of lack of interest. "We had 30 or 35 phone calls requesting information," Dave Hagerman, one of the organizers, said. "Bob Proctor had to postpone because of business engagements. Plans are underway for setting up another date at Niagara College."

Mr. Proctor is an expert on positive thinking and has travelled the world over speaking for various companies. He planned on the seminar to help promote an eight-week program in the Niagara peninsula slated for mid-February.



And they didn't help...

Four broken plows resulted in the clean-up crews being unable to clear the parking lots after the ice storm. Inconsiderate drivers kept any working plows from getting into snow-filled areas. Many cars were forced to park on campus roads and in no parking zones.

This driver added to the problem of few parking spaces by plowing through the snow, taking up more than his share of parking space. Many cars were jammed in back rows of parking lots because of unorganized parking and blocked entrances. (Photos by Harris)

McLaughlin again chairman of Board

James B. McLaughlin was re-elected chairman of the Board of Governors for 1982 at the annual meeting of the board Jan. 28.

Nominees submitted by a nominating committee were voted in at the meeting. The committee was appointed by the board Nov. 26.

Mr. McLaughlin is the director of personnel for Hayes-Dana Inc.,Thorold. In the past he has been vice-chairman of the board and the chairman of several standing committees.

Mr. McLaughlin was appointed to the Board of Governors in 1976 by the Council of Regents and then to a further four-year term in 1980.

Prior to hjis appointment to the board, he served on the Industrial Relations Advisory Committee at the college.

He is married and lives in St. Catharines.

IS VICE-CHAIRMAN

Re-elected vice-chairman of the board is William R.Stanyer.

Mr. Stanyer is manager of purchasing , Provincial Crane, in Niagara Falls.

He has been chairman and a member of several standing committees at the college.

Mr. Stanyer was appointed to the Board in 1978 by the Municipality of Niagara Falls and was reappointed to a further four-year term in 1979.

He is married and lives in Niagara Falls.

Ruth Ferguson was re-elected chairman of the academic affairs committee.

Mrs. Ferguson is director of nurses at the Niagara Regional health Unit.

She was appointed to the board in 1976 by the Council of Regents. Before being appointed to the board, she was a member of Niagara College's Nursing Advisory Committee and the Health Sciences Advisory Committee. She was also a member of several standing committees.

Mrs. Ferguson is married and lives in Fonthill.

NAME CHAIRMAN

Mr. Stanyer was also re-elected chairman of the executive committee.

Alexander N. Elliot was elected chairman of the finance and property and administrative affairs committee and served as its vice-chairman in the past.

Mr. Elliot is senior vice-president at Port Weller Dry Docks, St. Catharines.

He was appointed to the board in 1981 by the Council of Regents.

Prior to his appointment, he served as a member of the Mechanical Engineering Technology Advisory Committee at the college. Mr. Elliot is married with two children and lives in St. Catharines.

W. James Fraser was elected chairman of the staff and student affairs committee of which he has been a member.

Mr. Fraser is a masonry estimator at Abe Dick Masonry Limited, St. Catharines and is a graduate of the three-year Construction Technician Program at Niagara.

He was appointed to the Board in 1980 by the Council of Regents.

Prior to his appointment to the board, he served on the Industrial Relations Advisory Committee at the college.

Helps out

Lise Payne, 21, a second-year human relations student, worked at the front of the house during the two-week presentation of Press Theatre's musical, Grease, last month.

Live models too real?

Fashion arts students acted as live models during double lunch periods last week, displaying spring-line outfits available in the Fashion Club Boutique.

The display, in the window across from the store, was put on in an effort to get more people to shop in the boutique. First and second-year students, in groups of three, pretended to be mannequins in 15-minute shifts.

The boutique is fully operated by fashion arts students. The store, although specializing in women's fashions, also has merchandise available for men. "We just received some good-looking shirts and sweaters," Pat McCutchen, second-year fashion arts student, said. "We would like to see more guys come in and take a look at what we have in stock."

Pat said the response wasn't very good with few people interested in "window shopping." She said the demonstration showed her that few people look at the fashion window displays. "Maybe it's our fault. Maybe we have to jazz things up a bit more."

Although disappointed with the response, most models agreed the experience was worthwhile. Julie Bishop, first-year student, said she had fun but found it difficult to stand motionless for a long time.

Retrain all workers to boost productivity

Re-education of the workers is part of an antidote to the production slump affecting North America. New structures and methods of delivery in college are needed to raise the standards of the average worker and manager as their skills are obsolete after five years, Kenneth Hunter, a provincial deputy minister, said.

Mr. Hunter, in charge of manpower training at the ministry of colleges and universities, gave a key-note address as part of a session entitled If it were My Decision. The session, organized by Niagara College's school of business, was held in Niagara-on-the-Lake on Jan. 27.

The documented fall in North American productivity calls for more concentration on workers and how they can function effectively, Mr. Hunter told the group of advisory committee members from the aplied management division of the college.

Life-long learning is here to stay, he said.

In particular, management education will loom as impoirtant in the future of business and industry.

REAL IMPEDIMENT

Quoting from a recent study on motivation in the workplace, Mr. Hunter said, "The real impediment to production in the automated office is not the first-line worker but the senior manager."

After the speech the group discussed ideas for improvements in the college system.

Dave Bryers, worker at the Ontario Paper Company, suggested that continuing education courses have flexible hours to accomodate shift workers.

Other suggestions included accounting courses for first-line managers, and exchange programs between college faculty and people in the industry.

John Orr, administrator of personnel services at General Motors of Canada, said, "This type of seminar is a great marketing concept for the college and it provides a cross fertilization of ideas among advisory groups."

Hans Van der Slagt, dean of the school of business, said that feedback on the session would be forthcoming in the spring — either by another session or a written report.

TAXATION POSSIBLE?

In 1867, direct taxation, now the main source of government income, was considered impossible to apply.

Garage request rejected—again

A recent request for an equipment storage building was turned back by the Board of Govenors at the board meeting Jan. 28, and will be reconsidered at a later date.

Jack A. Spittle, director of plant and property services, first requested this five-car garage for the college's big equipment 10 years ago. His most recent request was pulled by the Board because of bad timing and the financial situation of the college, Dr. Nora McCardell, director of educational and student services, said.

"All public-funded institutions, like Niagara, are being extremely careful with spending right now," Dr. McCardell said.

Mr. Spittle requested a shell be built to house equipment such as the parking lot sander. Construction would have to begin in the warmer weather. The board said the money could be used better at this time.

Bare legs for balmy beach pub

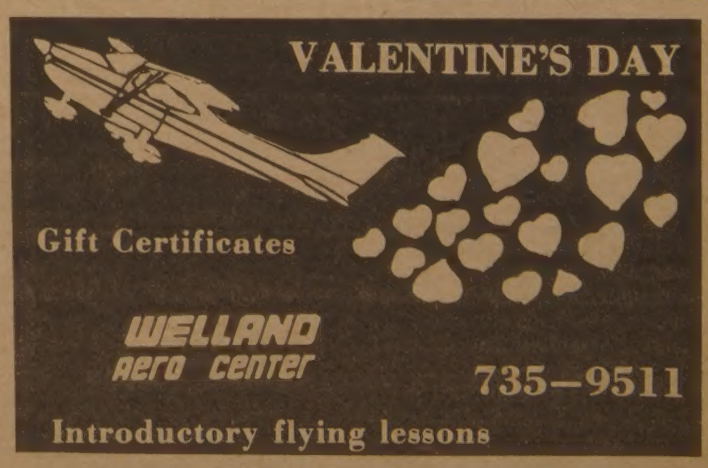
Thursday night's beach party pub in the cafeteria will have added highlights, including free sun visors and cigarette specials, Tony Bianco, Student Administrative Council promotions coordinator, said.

The first 300 people admitted at the door will receive the visors and during the pub cigarettes will be sold at two packages for $1.25.

The pub, which will wind up the Great White North Days winter carnival, will have a beach theme where wearing shorts is recommended, Tony said.

Craven A, a sponsor of the carnival, will give away a voucher for dinner-for-two as a door prize.

Tony said the temperature in the cafeteria will be turned up to 84F to compensate for the bared legs.

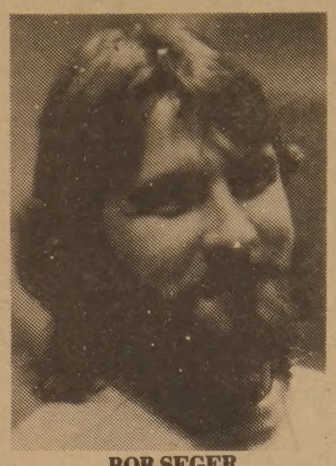


Beautiful people at Niagara

By DIANA BURI
and BETTINA JACKEVICIUS

Hollywood's finest paid a short visit to Niagara College last week to get a first-hand glimpse at how the other half lives. The glitter and glamor of Hollywood were no match for the hustle and bustle of Niagara as these celebrities mingled with students. They tried to escape notice but the watchful eyes of the Niagara News soon caught them.

DR. LESLIE WEBBER



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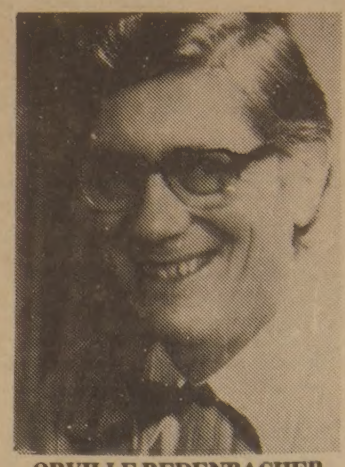

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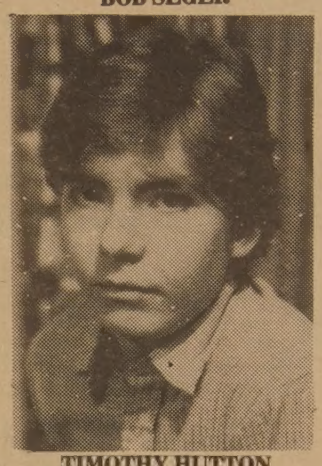

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Board of Governors decides Theatre Centre won't move

By ANNE BOKMA
Staff Writer

The theatre arts program of Niagara College will remain where it is and not move to Niagara-on-the-Lake, the Board of Governors decided Jan. 28.

In spite of this, a closer association between Shaw Festival and the theatre program has developed since plans for the move began, John Giancarlo, dean of applied arts, said.

The move, which would have cost an estimated $200,000, was rejected because of the cost, Jacqueline Robarts, college president said in a letter addressed to deans and staff.

"The ministry of colleges and universities is unable to provide additional funds for this project at the present time and with a projected deficit in our 1982-83 operating budget, the board is unable to fund this from the regular operating grants, especially at a time when program cuts and possible layoffs may be necessary."

CLOSE ASSOCIATION

Mr. Giancarlo said the theatre program has worked with Shaw over the years through its apprenticeship program and this relationship may be expanded if "a formal co-operative type of programming can be developed in conjunction with the Shaw Festival and other notable theatre companies."

John Rapsey, co-ordinator of the theatre arts program, said "In a year when other theatre programs are being either phased out or drastically cut, the Board of Governors has stated their faith in the program and indicated that they plan to continue funding it - they have said they will continue to look for ways and means of moving the program."

The Theatre Centre, 54 Empire St., Welland, includes a church built in 1935 and a parochial school built in 1950. Because of the inconveniences of an old building and the lack of space, a new location for the program was sought in Niagara-on-the-Lake.

Miss Robarts said, "The board members are aware that this decision is an unpopular one for the staff responsible for the program and sincerely regret they cannot approve the project at this time. They expect that other opportunities for funding may become available within the next few years. In the meantime, they are hopeful that the staff will continue to work with as much enthusiasm, dedication and success in the present facilities on Empire Street as they have in the past."

David Davies, chairman of human development division and chairman of the committee, said, "All of the theatre staff regret that the move is not possible but I think all of them appreciate the dilemna that the Board of Governors has found themselves in. The board went through a great deal of debate, discussion and reflection and we (theatre arts faculty) come out with the clear impression that the board really would like to have helped but they are without the resources to act."

Miss Robarts received a report from the Director of College Affairs at the Ministry which stressed that the emphasis is on high technology programs, machine trades and welding and that special funding to support the move is not available, Mr. Giancarlo said.

Other alternatives will be sought for relocation of the theatre program, he said. "This does not close the door."

SAC won't support boycott of classes

The Student Administrastive Council (SAC) will not support the latest movement of the Ontario Federation of Students (OFS) in its continuing protest against federal and provincial educational cutbacks, Anne Sutherland, SAC president, said.

The OFS has called for a province-wide boycott of classes March 11 in conjunction with the Canadian Federation of Students National Week of Protest March 8-12.

Niagara did not join the OFS when recruiting of community colleges in the early fall boosted its membership to more than 200,000 students.

"We do not support the OFS," Anne said. "No amount of radical demonstrations or protests will bring more money into the province and especially into the educational system."

She said cutting classes is no way for the government "to look at you and support your actions."

In a recently released newsletter from the OFS, chairman Barb Taylor said: "We're going to intensify our fight against course cutbacks, against faculty and staff layoffs, against the erosion of the grant-first provision in the student aid program, and against the federal government's refusal to live up to its responsibilities for post-secondary education."

Tony Bianco, SAC promotions co-ordinator quipped: "The only movement of the OFS we support is their bowel movements."

Cuts in French services

The ministry of colleges and universities has cut grants to French language services at Niagara College, and a bilingual librarian position has been eliminated, at least temporarily.

"We know there are cuts, rather important cuts, but, at this time, it's very difficult to say how much," Nicole Vigeant, director of French language services said.

She said that when the government allocated money to start bilingual programs in 1979, the grants were not calculated by a formuls. "It was seed money to develop the programs," Mme. Vigeant said."Last year, it was decided we would be given money based on a formula, based on the number of students enrolled."

The formula used to calculate grants in French programs and services is different from the English formula, but the principle is the same," Mme Vigeant said.

Dorothy Schmidt, bilingual librarian at the resource centre for almost three years, left the position when the opportunity arose for a teacher to go to Welland Vale to teach upgrading classes.

Stephen Kees, chief librarian, said the loss of a bilingual librarian is "unfortunate," because Miss Schmidt's duties included ordering books.

"In vast areas, there is no French material at all," Mr. Kees said. "Although we now have about 3,000 to 4,000 French titles, there are not as many (proportionately) as others."

Mme Vigeant said she thinks it would be "mal vu" (frowned upon) if there were no cutbacks on the French side when there are such extens utbacks on the English side.

Ms. fever goes Mad

By CARMEN LEGER
Staff Writer

Ms. fever has brought about change in women's titles, not only in the English-speaking population, but also among francophones.

Nicole Vigeant, director of French language services, Niagara College, says the search for a suitable non-discriminatory French form of address for women led to a suggestion of Madelle.

Without identifying a woman's marital status, the term marries the two French titles, Madame, reserved for married women, and Mademoiselle, used for all single women and girls. But the trial marriage ended in divorce because of the totally unsatisfactory abbreviation for the term - Mad.

"It didn't work out because and the abbreviation worse, because of our close proximity to the anglophone community," the anglophone community," Mme. Vigeant said.

According to articles she has read in French magazines, Madame is now the international term used for women out of their teens. "Madame is what is fashionable now," she said, "though I don't know if it will last."

Mademoiselle, abbreviated Mlle, is used strictly for young girls up to their teens, she said.

Female students who Miss being called Mrs. need not be Mad - just Ms!

Smacking lips

All next week, students should keep their ears to the speakers for the sound of smacking lips, Randy Stanley, CRNC spokesman, said. When the kiss sounds, the first person to call the radio station at ex. 269 or 300 will be the grand winner of from one to six cans of pop.

And they are...

Celebrity look-alikes are: Brooke Shields, Jacqui Sotnikow second-year fashion arts; Timothy Hutton, Gus Pelletier, first-year business administration; Dr. Leslie Webber, Bruna Buonocore, secretary for the Institute of Labor and Management and Labor Studies; Orville Redenbacher, Eugene Maltais, political science instructor; Bob Seger, Jim Hayden, second-year radio/ television; Donna Pescow, Leah Clark, first-year fashion arts; Roy Orbison, Nancy Gelusha, second-year fashion arts.

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EDITORIALS

For shame, Maggie

It looks as though Maggie T. is at it again.

The estranged wife of Canadian prime minister Pierre Trudeau is not paying the consequences of her earlier actions, she is writing them.

The success of her first book, Beyond Reason, is sure to be followed by her most recent attempt at being honest (and newsworthey) in her new book, Conquences.

It must be said in all fairness that the lady does have nerve. How any woman can so readily divulge and exploit her intimate followed by her most recent attempt at being honest (and newsworthy) in her new book, Consequences.

The Canadian public eagerly awaited the release of Maggie's first book. It was itnteresting reading — she may even have drawn some sympathy. But where Beyond Reason seemed to serve some vague excuse for a purpose, Consequences is a desperate attempt to regain the notoriety Mrs. Trudeau obviously enjoyed.

It is distressing to think of Canada's first lady amongst the ranks of Xaviera Hollander, the Happy Hooker. Miss Hollander, too, wrote of the intimate details of her life and profession. Maggie seems to be following suit. Indeed unbecoming for a first lady.

In her search to find herself, Margaret Trudeau has lost something perhaps dearer than one's identity — integrity.

Margaret Trudeau is not a national inspiration. She is a national farce who will stop at nothing to remain in the headlines of national newspapers, who has cast an embarrassing shadow on every Canadian.

Her dirty linen is not being hidden in the deepest of closets; it is being hung to dry in libraries and bookstores everywhere for $14.95.

Maggie's story, if she, indeed, has one, is worthy only to be published in the sensationalized pages of The National Enquirer and its like.

Haven't Canadians suffered enough at the hands of this sleazy and obnoxious woman?

Diana Buri

Moral legacy

While Ronald Reagan's administration dusts off the Monroe Doctrine and, in an attempt to heal the wounds inflicted by the Vietnam war on the American body politic, truculently tries to articulate a more aggressive foreign policy, American writers continue to expose Vietnam's gangrenous moral legacy.

In two recently published novels, A Flag for Sunrise by Robert Stone and Horn of Africa by Philip Cuputo, American involvement in Vietnam hovers in the background like a bad conscience.

In the tradition of Conrad and Dostoyevsky, both books are essentially novels of ideas, exploring moral ambiguities and the nature of evil.

In the jargon of book reviewers, they are as timely as tomorrow's headlines.

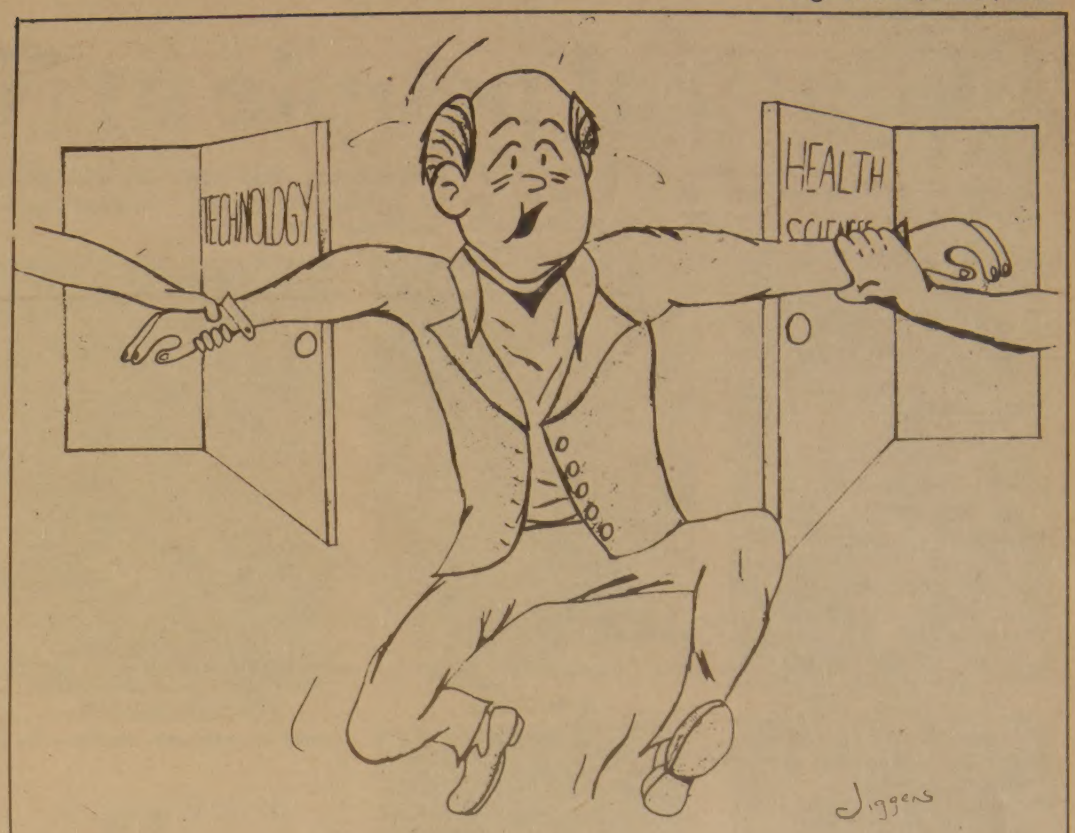
The central action in A Flag for Sunrise takes place in Tecan, a fictitious central American country (read Nicaragua, Guatemala, El Salvador) poised on the brink of revolution. The Horn of Africa is set in the fictitious Ethiopian province of Bejaya (read Eritrea).

Since both geographical areas are of special concern to the Reagan administration, the lingering malaise associated with Vietnam that pervades both novels makes them modern cautionary tales and recommended reading for the American president.

The between-the-lines message is that, rather than regarding the bloody nose it received in Vietnam as a loss of manhood retrievable in other conflicts, the United States should accept it as a mistake and lesson on the road to maturity.

Given the Soviet Union's continuing misadventures in Afghanistan, the hawks in the Kremlin's spires might find profitable pickings in A Flag for Sunrise and Horn of Africa as well.

Andrew Dreschel



Memorandum: *... and Fred will work between the two offices.*

BULLPIT

Trendy words threaten society

By CYNTHIA JANZEN
Staff Writer

In terms of alienation, the biggest threat to today's society is not Telidon, Rubik's cube, or even Sony Wakman receivers.

It is the lack of real words, and the over-abundance of *trendy new words*, TNW for short. TNW also includes phrases. Together they make up the sum of today's conversational gambits... and they make them boring.

Used sparingly, these words or phrases are not offensive in themselves. It's when people — especially those in the public eye — fall in love with them that I want to tear my hair out.

For instance, have you noticed that snow isn't snow anymore? Nope; in radio announcer lingo, it is "the white stuff."

VIABLE — OR IS IT?

Anything once termed possible or probable is *viable* and it's bound to be either an alternative or an option. *Lifestyle* is another biggie, topping even *freelance* as one of those handily ambiguous TNW's that sounds important but means little.

When it comes to discussion, talking is *relating* and some *off-the-wall feedback* helping in *touching base* on any subject.

At the risk of sounding totally *paranoid* or worse, being labelled *an air head*. I insist that life would be more interesting without the modern parlance. The *bottom line* is at a party you can skip from conversation to conversation without missing a *bleat*.

I mean, like, really, do you know where I'm coming from?

LETTER:

'Fad will die soon'

Dear Editor:

With regard to Ray De Jong's editorial of the 25th (Hosermania — count me out) and the St. Lawrence Sisters' reply (Hosermania is fun so take off, eh!, Feb. 1), I felt obligated in some way to throw my toque into the ring.

Mr. De Jong is essentially correct when he states that this "joke for a television show has become a social phenomenon." However, a "cultural revolution" it is not. The MacKenzie Brothers' act was merely a marketing scheme which surpassed everyone's expectations; a comedy routine which cannot (and should not) be taken seriously. He also states that 'self-deprecation is our great national habit." I wouldn't call it that as much as I would call it a rare and healthy ability to laugh at ourselves.

Charlene Bebee's and Kathy Kaufman's reply would seem to be little more than a justification of the "St. Lawrence" characters they "created." However, I will agree with them on one point: Hosermania is a fad, and it will end.

To put the whole thing in perspective, hoser-mania was a comedy routine which grew very old very fast and died standing on its feet.

Its curators, unaware of this demise, are merely and harmlessly having what to them is a little fun with the corpse. Hosermania has left no impact on the "Canadian identity;" anyone would be just as hard-pressed to describe a Canadian even after this tidal wave of toques and earmuffs. Hoser-mania has not changed the Canadian lifestyle as I have yet to meet someone who has altered his diet to that of beer and back bacon.

The sooner this tragi-comical dinosaur is laid to rest, the happier I and many others will be.

Steve Bull
First-year law and security

'What was that?'

As if contending with the jargon of newspeak and the double-talk of Haigspeak is not enough, it seems human intelligence must now bend to comprehend the mysteries of computerspeak.

In a Jan. 20 memorandum from Glenn R. Pevere, director of college personnel, instructors at Niagara had a brush with this new form of obfuscation.

The memorandum attempted to explain the computer coding used on the computer print-outs of their leave banks.

While letters like *Vacbank* and *Sickbank* were accessible enough, others were impenetrable.

Only a computer could come up with *Lieuhrbank*, and only a human could stretch his common sense to apply a rational interpretation.

Other monuments the memorandum raised to computerspeak were *Hoodibank* and *Frznnfbank*. Though neither made sense, both were explained.

Computers may have a come a long way in a short time, but apparently human clarity is not yet one of their acquired virtues.

News welcomes letters

The Niagara News welcomes letters from its readers on any subject. While writers may write under a pen name, the editors must know the identity of the writer. Letters should be limited to 250 words. The News reserves the right to edit letters to length.

Mentalist to perform Thursday

Mentalist Mike Mandell will be in the cafeteria Thursday at 12:30 p.m. to present a show featuring the powers of suggestion and hypnosis.

VIEWPOINT

Professions / History

Stained glass artwork

Hobby becomes career

Story and Photo
By KATHY COLE

John Poeltl turned away from the carpentry business and turned his hobby into a full-time profession. Now he works among beautiful stained glass artwork in his St. Catharines shop.

A large assortment of hanging glass lamps in various sizes hang from the ceiling of Studio Glass Works. Table lamps and boxes of all shapes and sizes for all types of uses line the shelf, suncatchers hang in the windows. Beautiful clocks, mirror and wall hangings for plants cover the walls, and in the midst of this Mr. Poeltl is working on another hanging lamp, this one in shades of blue and white.

"It's a lot of work," Mr. Poeltl said referring to the lamps. "Some people think I use a cookie cutter until they see me cutting out the glass."

Long day

A work day for Mr. Poeltl is usually between 16 to 20 hours long. "Sometimes it gets to be a job," he said. He holds classes in the evening with three people at a time. The people can make whatever they're capable of, and he works on his projects at the same time. "Sometimes the best way to learn is by watching," he said.

Stained glass isn't too difficult to work with, it just takes patience and experience. Mr. Poeltl said some people buy a glass cutter for $3 and expect to use it on all types of glass or expect to master geometrical objects right away.

The hardest thing of all is trying to get ideas. Mr. Poeltl said he designs the object he is making; if it's a lamp he has to decide how big it is to be, how many sections and of what design. He keeps all his patterns.

JOHN POELTL

His work has to appeal to a a large number of people so he keeps the colors conservative.

Mr. Poeltl has been doing stained glass artwork for five years. He had always been interested in stained glass but had only been exposed to it in churches. He never realized all that could be done with glass until he saw a display in the Pen Centre one day. He took down the name of the supplier, "and I was off," he said. It wasn't too long before he opened his 56 Haynes Ave. shop.

Mr. Poeltl does a lot of custom work. He has done windows for churches and lamps for restaurants, as well as "interesting" work for individual homes.

Too heavy

Is there anything Mr. Poeltl would love to make? "A grandfather clock of stained glass," he said. "I've been kicking around the idea but it would be heavy and hard to move."

But if it can be done, Mr. Poeltl will find a way.

Life meaningless without her Louie

By CATHI BRUNO
Staff Writer

The biology class was ready to begin. Today's assignment: Dissection. Subject: Cat.

The teacher brought out the garbage bad with the lifeless little body in it. He said it was found at a garage station near the school, which happens to be near my house.

My sister told me that when she heard those words she began to see what the cat looked like. So she opened the bag and her biggest fear came true.

My cat, Louie, a cute little silver tabby, had been missing since New Year's Day. The blizzard hit and I had the terrible feeling that he was dead. No animal could survive the snowdrifts and the 30 mile-an-hour winds, but I silently wished my cat would.

Never there

Every day after school I would look in the backyard before going in the house in hopes that he would be waiting by the window. But he was never there.

When my sister cleared off the snow from around the basement windows, she was afraid she would find Louie frozen stiff. 'I wanted to hit her. Now she had an over-active immagination going. I didn't want spring to arrive.

I put his belongings on a shelf: two bowls, a box of Tender Vittles and a bottle of shampoo. They might never be used again.

"How would you like it if someone wanted to dissect a member of your family?" my sister asked her biology teacher in an effort to stop the deed about to be committed.

LOUIE

He finally gave in and my sister and her friend gave Louie a "good Christian funeral" behind the school.

They spent two hours digging a grave in the frozen ground. They marked the grave with a cross of sticks and said a little prayer.

She told me that night what had happened and I knew the worst had come true. I went into the kitchen and did my homework.

I felt as if part of the family was gone. Only another cat could fill the void.

Sister shaken

I asked my dad but he said no; my sister was so shaken up she could not stand the trauma of another cat, he said.

I resigned myself to the cruel twist of fate and went back to my homework.

Suddenly, there was an interruption — an insistent meowing and scratching at the window. I ran to see what it was and it was Louie. It was as if a ton of bricks had fallen on me. I dashed up the stairs and let the little beggar in, ragged, dirty and skinny.

Cook's Mills: Vital victory in 1812?

By DON PROCTER
Staff Writer

The din of musket shot and cannon fire probably muffled the coarse crunching sounds of the grist mill in operation.

Houses were taken by the advancing American force; fences were torn down for firewood to keep the troops warm.

The battle was part of a 28-month war between two kindred peoples. It was fought on soil just east of Welland in the community of Cook's Mills 177 years ago.

The Battle of Cook's Mills was the last of "any importance in Upper Canada during the War of 1812," E. A. Cruikshank, historian, wrote in 1923. "An American invasion was undertaken with the hope of overrunning the province as far as Burlington Heights, or perhaps Toronto."

But few of the area residents know much about the battle, Frances Yokom, longtime resident of Cook's Mills, said.

"There was a period in history when people did not think it was important to keep historical records, so many accurate accounts of the battle are lost," she said.

"Local people should know more about the battle," Mrs. Yokom said. "During World War Two many residents could have cared a less about the history. Cook's Mills had a bad reputation; it was a sludge hole."

Notable symbol

The most notable symbol the town has of the battle is a cairn, a monument erected in 1922 in dedication to the battle.

"It is on the site my father-in-law, LeRoy Matthews, donated," Evelyn Matthews, Cooks' Mills resident, said. "He owned the farmland where much of the action took place."

Mrs. Matthews, 73, said she regrets that much of the area's history has been taken to the grave with past generations.

"It is rather sad but most traces of the battle are gone now," she said. "You won't find the battle mentioned in many history books. I doubt if there are many young people who know much about the area's history; I wouldn't be surprised if few of them even know about the cairn. Perhaps students should be taught about the battle.

No courses on the battle are taught at Niagara college though "we used to have a course in local history," John Muggeridge, Canadian history instructor, said. "It sort of died with its teacher who went on to other fields."

Mr. Muggeridge said any teaching of local history is good, "but students here do not have a strong sense of the local past, though they have a strong sense of their ethnic past."

American and Canadian historical accounts of the battle often vary.

"I've heard that American history books claim victory here belongs to them," Mrs. Matthews said. "Why, one time when my husband and I went to Maokinac Island, an American working there(pioneer village) told us the War of 1812 was won by the Americans.

It is generally agreed among historians here that the Americans were defeated at Cook's Mills, soon after they fled across the Niagara River to their homeland.

Battle account

"Maybe the most authentic description of the battle you can get is by Mr. Cruikshank," Mrs Matthews said.

He wrote that according to a report by Col. Christopher Myers, his job was to "prevent any attempt by the Americans to penetrate in the direction of Burlington."

On Oct. 19, 1814, Col. Myers and the Glengarry Light Infantry, about 750 men, pushed back an American force of about 1,500 to 2,000 led by Brig.-Gen. Daniel Bissell, Mr. Cruikshank wrote in a historical pamphlet printed in 1923.

Frances Petrie, historian from Niagara Falls, wrote in the Welland Tribune: "It was a short sharp skirmish" which probably resulted because the Americans needed grain and flour for their troops.

Mrs. Yokom said the Americans always looked for a place where there was water, grain and wood to sustain them.

While there was not much at stake in Cook's Mills, Mrs. Matthews said "it's important to remember that it was the last land engagement between the United States and Canada."

"If the Americans had got through the county town of Cook's Mills, I should imagine...it is hard to say what might have happened to Canada if they had not been stopped there."

Winter's fury

Weekend after weekend, the Niagara peninsula has been blasted with blustery blizzards clogging roads and causing treacherous driving conditions. Since the groundhog did see his shadow Feb. 2, there may be six more weeks of car-stalling weather.
[Photo by Procter]

Supervisory management most comprehensive in Ontario

By MARJORY ADKIN
Staff Writer

Niagara College is a community college with a difference. While most college programs are designed to benefit the community, Niagara College's School of Business goes one step further.

The supervisory management program is the only comprehensive, indepth one offered in Ontario that caters to supervisors in industries and institutions, Ed Zanetti, program co-ordinator, said.

"Although other colleges have one or two courses for supervisory management, we are the only one that offers 11," Mr. Zanetti said.

Those courses range from alcoholics and drugs in industry to labor relations to recreation. Over the years the program has been updated to meet more specific needs required by supervisors.

The 11-year-old program now has a high level of credibility within the college system and industry but it wasn't always that way.

LOT OF LEG WORK

"It took us two or three years to get established around the region," Mr. Zanetti said. "I did a lot of leg work convincing industries that they should participate."

The program was created when representatives from two local companies came to Mr. Zanetti. They wanted to start a program with an emphasis on developing and improving skills in meeting and handling supervisory-related problems. The number of companies now involved with Niagara College's program has reached 30 and the list is getting longer.

In a promotion booklet, past participants call the program "the best first line supervision course I have ever attended", "very rewarding", and "a very enjoyable and profitable experience." There have been more than 500 participants in the program so far.

Other community colleges have supervisory management courses but they are usually in the night and only two or three times a week, Mr. Zanetti said. What makes Niagara's program different is that it runs five days a week for four weeks with no interruptions.

ABLE TO CONCENTRATE

"A tremendous advantage is that the program is concentrated and the participants have the opportunity to interact and participate with supervisors from other companies that have the same problems as they do," he said.

Mr. Zanetti, who is also coordinator of industrial management, said he was chosen as supervisory management coordinator because of his nine years' experience with the Steel Company of Canada, Ford Motor Company, and Square D Company in engineering and management divisions.

The supervisory management program is offered three times in the fall and the spring session will begin March 15. "The program is going strong right now," he said. "We fill every session."

Mr. Zanetti said he has seen a change in the profile of the participants over the past 11 years. College and university graduates are supervisors now rather than the high school graduate of 10 years ago. A few Niagara College technical graduates are coming back to take the supervisory management course after three or four years as supervisors in the workplace.

The $270 fee per participant is paid by the company involved but it is "a drop in the bucket compared to what it costs the company to replace the supervisor for four weeks."

There is no form of evaluation for the program. Instead, the participants are given a formal notice stating that they have completed the program. Lectures, case studies, and role playing are all used in the program.

It usually offers a specialized study course for General Motors' management personnel in January and May but because of the slow economy, the program is not being run this year, Mr. Zanetti said.

Girls follow interests, traditional roles gone

The concept of men's and women's work is slowly dying. Unfortunately some areas are slower than others.

Whether it is the old idea that girls are just not good in maths and sciences or fear of losing their feminity, few women go into technology despite efforts to recruit them at the high school level.

Sandra Thompson, first-year manufacturing engineering technician, is the only girl in a class of about 15.

Sandra said she receives no special treatment but finds herself at a disadvantage sometimes because "the guys took machine shop and welding in high school. I had no experience in this whatsoever."

Sandra is third vice-chairman of the student chapter of the Society of Manufacturing Engineers(SME).

She said counsellors from the college came to her high school and told the students—especially the girls — about technology courses.

INTERESTED HER

"I just saw it in a pamplet and though it would be interesting."

She said no one ever told her not to take the course but some of her friends were wondering why. The manufacturing engineering course doesn't require any heavy lifting but "at times you can get really dirty" while welding.

"I think they should have more girls in technology."Kim Ells, first-year mechanical drafting technician, agreed with Sandra.

"I don't look at it as being a girl in a guy's course." Instead she is just studying the subject that interests her.

IN NOVA SCOTIA

Kim went to a high school in Nova Scotia which taught industrial arts.

Her course was "mostly drafting design or drawing." She likes to draft machine parts to see how they work.

"Most girls just aren't interested. Last year I took jazz studies in Nova Scotia. Most people say that's a big change." Kim also enjoys woodworking.

She said she wants to work for a mining company in British Columbia when she graduates.

Nowadays someone who says a woman's work is never done may be referring to welding or drafting.

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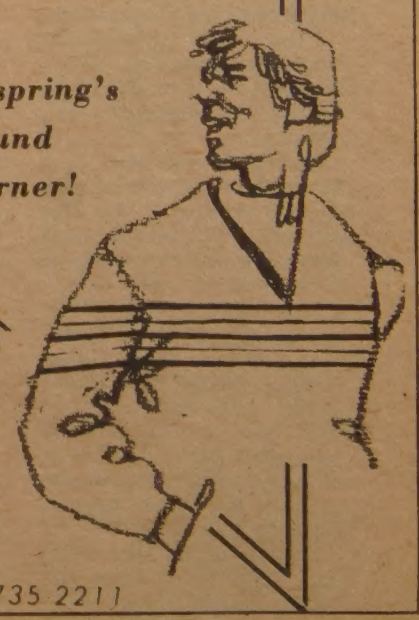
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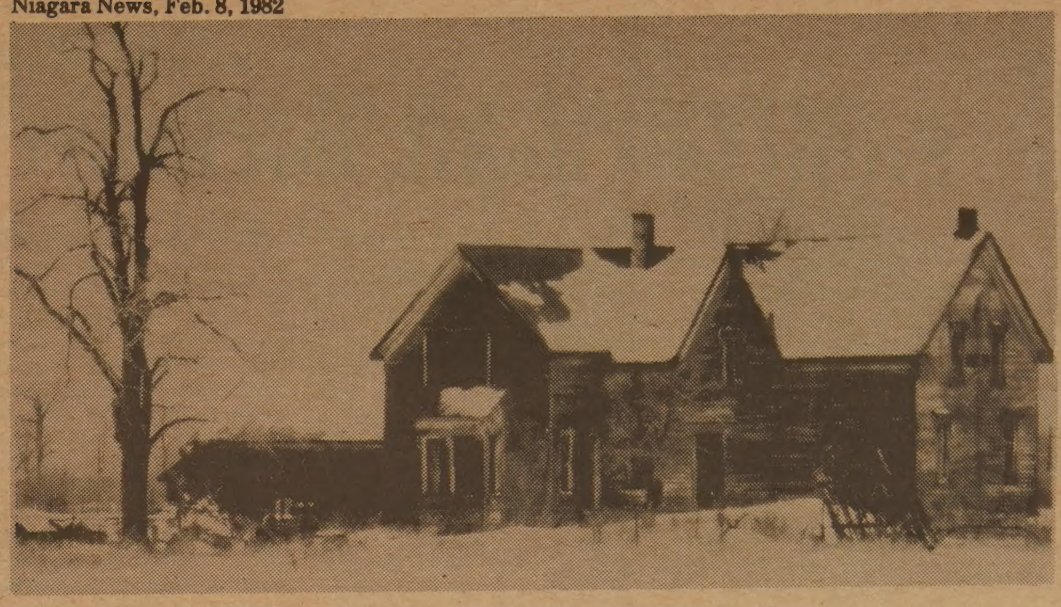

Close the window

This old house ain't got no windows. This old house ain't got no doors. This old song by Teresa Brewer could have been written about this old house on Netherby Road. [Photo by Ford]

Expressions of rage, passion granted by poetic licence

By CARMEN LEGER
Staff Writer

Poets and artists are tolerated only because they are expressing the eccentric rage and passion that society demands people repress, Maxine Gadd, Canadian west coast poet, says.

Author of six books of poetry, Miss Gadd is on a short tour for the League of Canadian poets.

"They love you when you rave," she said in an interview before a poetry reading at Niagara College. "If you do it in the right context (poetry), they love you, they buy you a beer. If you don't do it in the right context, they put you in an insane asylum."

Miss Gadd confessed she "raved in the 60s, but I am more mellow now." She said times are more repressed now, partly because of the influence of television and "because we found out the powerful are powerful."

'1960 ATTITUDE

If Miss Gadd's views reflect a 1960's attitude, so do her appearence and lifestyle.

Wrapped in a forest green shawl, she tosses her long brown hair over her shoulder and reminisces about her early creative years in coffee houses.

"We had orgies of poetry," she

MAXINE GADD

told students at the reading. "You'd read for hours and hours and leave only when you couldn't stand it anymore."

Reflecting the 1960s emergence of self-sufficient lifestyles, Miss Gadd lives in a "10-by-12-foot shack" on Galiano Island, Near Vancouver, where she ekes out a "minimal existence."

She lives simply, fishing, gardening and digging for clams and oysters, in a small community which she calls "an enclave of the last century."

HER VERSE

Figurative illustrations permeate her verse.

the insects will not stay still. Jonduls scream at the trees. a brass bank marches through the graveyard and tramples down the waist-high wheat.

The imagery is alive throughout her prose. She read from the Westerners and the Book of Practical Knowledge, among others.

Miss Gadd occasionally works in offices which she finds "psychologically depleting, though essential." She had taught school but says she doesn't care for it because of the responsibility involved. She prefers writing because "you're speaking from your own madness - your own mind - so there's not any guilt or responsibility."

Having published her own book of poetry, Miss Gadd advises anyone interested in writing poetry to "print you own poetry and distribute it to all your friends."

She says the desire that arises in a person to write a poem is a euphoric feeling but that the real thrill is in reading poetry.

The Warriors, first college flick

The college will show its first movie of the school year Feb. 23 in the Hamilton Room during the double lunch.

The feature film scheduled is theWarriors, a violent tale about gang wars in New York City.

Joe Walsh, former Eagles lead guitarist, wrote the soundtrack score.

Chili sales take students to Florida

Preparing chili con carne for bake sales was part of a means to an end worth stewing for for some students here. The end: a trip to Florida.

Second-year bilingual tourism students will spend a work-experience week in Florida in about a month which is funded "in part by the bake sales," Marie-Marthe Rennie, instructor in the program, said.

They will be flying from Toronto "with me" to Orlando where they will spend three days before heading down to Daytona for the remainder of the week, Mrs. Rennie said.

Comments from the five students going on the trip ranged from "excited" to "well deserved."

"I

"I'm excited about the trip because the five of us are so close," Janet Hoskin, 20, said. "For a change we are not going to be talking about school."

Dianne Forester, 22, said she is "very excited and looking forward to the warmer weather."

While it is a break from the cold weather for the students, it will not be all sunshine, grapefruit and fun on the beaches for them.

LEARN TO ORGANIZE

The trip is set up so students will plan and organize a schedule of things to do; it includes making "reservations for tourist attractions to reservations for hotels," Mrs. Rennie said.

As they are "training for tour counsellors, they have to set it up themselves," Mrs. Rennie said. "They have to prepare everyting from a to z."

The students will know what life is like, if they do not already, for tourists who let the fate of their holiday plans rest with tourist counsellors.

"They are going to live the experience of being tourists," Mrs. Rennie said. "When they return, they will have to make a report on their experiences."

Though most of the students have travelled before, Lou-Anne Levesque, 20, said "everything is going to be new to me; I've never even been on a plane."

Included in the trip will be visits to Disneyworld, Busch Gardens and maybe Sea World, Mrs. Rennie said.

The trip starts Feb. 27 and ends in March, with the students taking a second week to do as they please, she said.

Other bilingual tourism students on the trip will be Johanne VCadrin, 20, and Patricia Villeneuve, 19.

First Canadian woman doctor

Doctor Emily Stowe was registered as a member of the College of Physicians and Surgeons in Ontario in 1880, becoming the first Canadian woman doctor licensed to practice medicine in Canada.

Saint lost head, not heart

By KATHY COLE
Staff Writer

Cupid, draw back your bow...

Cupid is the roman god of love. He is represented as a beautiful naked winged boy with bow and arrows, and is said to shoot love into the heart of one's desired. It only seems appropriate that he comes to be associated with St. Valentine's Day, lover's day, Feb. 14.

Little is known about the origin of Valentine's Day, or the custom of sending Valentines.

It is thought there were two St. Valentines. One, a St. Valentine of Rome, was a priest who supposedly was martyred around 269 during the persecution ordered by Claudius the Goth. He was said to have been beheaded on Feb. 14 on the Flaminian Way near Rome.

The other St. Valentine was allegedly Bishop of Terni. He was believed beheaded in Terni on the same day.

However, there may have been only one St. Valentine, taken from one city to the other for his execution.

The custom of sending Valentines has many theories. The most plausible is that there is probably only a coincidental connection with the saint himself. Rather it probably owes its origin to a medieval English and French belief that at the start of the second fortnight of the second month, Feb. 14, the birds begin to mate.

In the Parlement of Fouls, Chaucer said, "For this was on seynt Valentynes day whan every foul cometh ther to chese his make."

NIAGARA

ENTERTAINMENT

Love of country plus lighthearted fun

By now everyone knows that on Feb. 18 and 19 the college will be holding its annual Celebrate Canada Festival.

For those who have followed the continuous cataloguing of events in the Niagara News, the question may arise, "But what does it all mean?"

On a serious level, Celebrate Canada Festival is entirely nationalistic.

But although love of country is undoubtedly a noble sentiment, the festival's less profound purpose is the one that will have the most impact, the one that people will remember.

The reason for Celebrate Canada is actually quite simple...it is to have a good time.

The festival does not require all participants to arrive emblazoned with the maple leaf, while humming strains of O Canada. No one cares if you can list all the prime ministers since Confederation.

Frivolous fun is the key that keeps the festival getting better and better every year. So here's hoping you'll take off your toque and stay a while.

Cynthia Janzen

FRED HABERMEHL and BARBARA FONFARA, Festival co-convenors

Musical family to entertain

Although the theme ofCelebrate Canada Festival on Feb. 18 and Feb. 19 is humor, music will be an ancillary motif.

Among the festival's various musical offerings is an appearance by the Hoekstra family choir of St. Catharines.

Gerzinus Hoekstra, his wife Jeannetta, and their four children will be performing music from the baroque period, featuring instruments such as recorder, flute and Frfench horn.

Mr. Hoekstra, a musical consultant for Niagara South board of education, said the family choir began performing in concert settings about three years ago after years of harmonizing at home.

Press meet for breakfast

A press breakfast designed to encourage publicity for the Celebrate Canada Festival was held Wednesday, Feb. 3 in the Tecumseh Lounge, arranged by the festival's publicity committee.

The breakfast was attended by newspaper representatives from The Niagara News, St. Catharines Standard, The Welland Evening Tribune, the Fonthill Herald, The Niagara Falls Review and radio representatives from CRNC, CHSC, CKTB, CHOW, CJQR. Cable TV was represented by Maclean Hunter and Armstrong.

After a breakfast of Egg McMuffins, Danish, hors d'oeuvres, juice and coffee, Foster Zanutto, head of the publicity committee, welcomed everybody and introduced Jacqueline Robarts, college president, and Fred Habermehl, dean of health sciences and festival co-convener.

Mr. Habermehl explained the objectives of Celebrate Canada Festival and discussed briefly the events that will take place.

"We want to instil a strong sense of being Canadian among the students," he said.

No spinsters need apply

Welland Welcome Wagon is holding a bridal shower on Feb. 21 at 2 p.m. in the Rose Villa. All future brides are invited to attend.

The bridal shower is sponsored by area businessmen who wish to introduce their services to future brides. There will be door prizes, small gifts, coupons and information on wedding etiquette.

Admission is free to the bride and one guest. Invitations will be sent one week prior to the shower. To obtain an invitation, phone 899-1166 or 735-5458.

Back bacon bargains offered to hosers

Fans of the MacKenzie brothers and hosermania will have the chance to be hosers for a night tonight at Cowboy's in St. Catharines.

The fun begins at 7:30 with the kick-off to the Great White North days, the theme for this year's winter carnival.

A MacKenzie brothers impersonation contest will be one of the main feature attractions of the evening. Prizes will be awarded to those most closely resembling the characters of SCTV's Bob and Doug MacKenzie, Tony Bianco, Student Administrative Council promotions co-ordinator, said.

Hoser specials, including back bacon on a bun for 25 cents, will be among the main orders on the menu.

Hoser survival kits will be given away as prizes during different intervals of the evening.

Musical entertainment will be provided by Hourglass, a commercial band specializing in popular favorites by various artists.

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Welcome to the Universe, fashions out of this world

By CYNTHIA JANZEN
Staff Writer

Against a black backdrop they paraded, more or less self-consciously welcoming Niagara College students to the universe.

It was the fashion arts students' big event of the year Jan. 28 — the annual fashion show. Entitled Welcome to the Universe, it took place in the Hamilton Room at 12 noon and in the evening to full houses each time.

Glitter was the name of the game. Gold and silver were popular, especially in the futuristic fashion division. Amid commentary by Chris Bessette and Brian Hostick, second year radio and television students, the girls posed in inter-galactic party-wear that was enough to make a Martian blush. One carried a quilted black shoulder bag for a laser gun.

Traditional

On the more traditional side, bridal fashions were also shown, featuring gleaming white satin and old-fashioned lace. Bouquets were compliments of Breath of Spring Florists.

Creativity in an unusual medium was demonstrated. Waste not, want not seemed to be the theme of the second year students in their opening tableau as they modelled garbage bag fashions, all of them different. Looking extremely waterproof, they rose up one at a time and were introduced by name and star sign.

MELODY PILON

First year students modelled creations of their own design. Earlier in the year each had been given a length of muslin sheeting out of which to make a hostess skirt. The theme was outer space and many exhibited shooting stars, sunbursts, and comets against a dark background.

The fashion arts students organized the entire show, including the geometric props on the stage, the gold and silver zodiac signs dangling from the lights, and the futuristic music. Lori Ross was the producer.

Main balance

The main balance of the fashion show concentrated on creations by second year students. All the girls had to design and draft their own patterns and sew at least three outfits to be modeled by themselves.

Styles ran the gamut from dressy loungewear to playful sportswear. Volume seemed to be the key look, as ruffles and frills decorated everything from shorts to mini dresses to evening gowns.

Unmistakably feminine looks such as plunging necklines and nipped-in waists were popular. Most of the designs were of solid colors, and heels were generally low. Some of the students had designed matching pumps for their outfits.

Hair-styles were by Cut Plus and Hairhunters of Welland.

Mark Twain returns

By MARJORY ADKIN
Staff Writer

"I was born modest but it wore off." Mark Twain said this — not 100 years ago — but on Jan. 25 at Hamilton Place.

It could have been a reincarnation of Mark Twain but it was really Hal Holbrook in an excellent portrayal of the famed writer and philosopher of early American lifestyle.

Mr. Holbrook's only props on the stage which usually houses the Hamilton Philharmonic Orchestra were a large Persian rug, armchair, and antique table and wooden podium.

When Mr. Holbrook/Twain appeared on the stage it seemed as if the entire audience took a step through time and entered his living room. His shuffling gait and clean white suit were reminiscent of the gentlemanly old south in which Twain lived.

He regaled the audience with personal stories of yesteryear all the time lighting his cigar and drifting between the table and podium. The first part of the 2½-hour program was filled with humorous anecdotes of Twain's life as a reporter in San Francisco and girls with glass eyes that rolled when they were excited. "The adults could cope with the rolling eye, but it made children cry," he said.

Mr. Holbrook's depiction of Twain encompassed witty stories from sources such as Mark Twain's notebook, Roughing It, Innocents Abroad and Huckleberry Finn. His capacity to make the transition from an aged man to a young Huck in both language and mannerisms was impressive.

Twain's aversion to work was a major source for Mr. Holbrook's performance and he spun yarns about Twain's attempts to cover a six-hour Wganerian opera sung in Italian.

"Concerning the difference between man and a jackass some say there isn't any," Mr. Holbrook/Twain quipped at the beginning of the second part. "Occasionally this wrongs the jackass." In a sarcastic depiction he preached a sermon called the War Prayer that begged God to give all Christians the strength to slaughter their enemies.

A fully justified standing ovation followed Mr. Holbrook/Twain with his ending words, "I've been 70 days out and I'm going home" alluding to his final story of the homeward voyage of a ship.

Mr. Holbrook brought to life a man whose works are familiar to everyone and gave insight to the life behind the writer.

Valentine chocolates nutritious, inexpensive

By WENDY SHIELDS
Staff Writer

Gifts of home-made chocolate can be an excellent way to treat that special someone this St. Valentine's Day. Besides being relatively inexpensive, they are more nutritious and contain fewer additives.

Betty Halliday demonstrates the art of making chocolates at 7 p.m. every Friday at the Red Rose Cake Decorating Centre in St. Catharines. For St. Valentine's Day she has uncovered some special creations that are just right for that special someone.

Making chocolate is both easy and inexpensive, Mrs. Halliday said. The chocolate she uses is similar to that made by the Laura Secord company. However, the price can be kept down since there is no overhead. Home-made chocolates cost less than half of the regular price.

The basic tool is a slow-cooker or double boiler. If neither is available then a pyrex bowl placed over a saucepan containing one inch of boiled water will do. However, it is important to leave enough space so that the bowl does not touch the water. Avoid using a lid. Condensation could drip into the melted chocolate and cause it to become hard.

THREE TYPES

There are three basic types of chocolate that range in price and flavor: bitter-sweet, semi-sweet and English Milk. Chocolate can be purchased in either brick or coin form. Coins may be purchased in a variety of colors.

Cupids, hearts and boxed chocolates are shaped by molds, she said. Molds may be purchased for about $2.50 and last for years. Although plastic molds may be refrigerated, never place them in the freezer because the cold temperature will make them brittle enough to crack.

Melted chocolate is poured into a clean dry mold that has been polished with a paper towel. When dry, the mold appears dull in color and when removed, the chocolate should appear shiny.

MAY COLOR

Colors may be applied to molds by painting two coats of colored chocolate into the bottom of the mold. The easiest way to melt the colored coins is to individually place them eggcups inside a frying pan.

The more popular boxed candy is made by coating the mold with a thick layer of chocolate, adding a filling and then covering with more chocolate. A liquor filling can be made by mixing one half cup of fondant powder with two tablespoons of a favorite liquor.

Large chocolate valentines are created by pouring about one-half inch of chocolate into a heart-shaped cake pan. When dry it can be decorated with icing sugar and boxed with a doily ribbon and a sentimental card.

"Home-made chocolate is much nicer tasting," Mrs. Halliday said. It contains fewer additives and more individuality.

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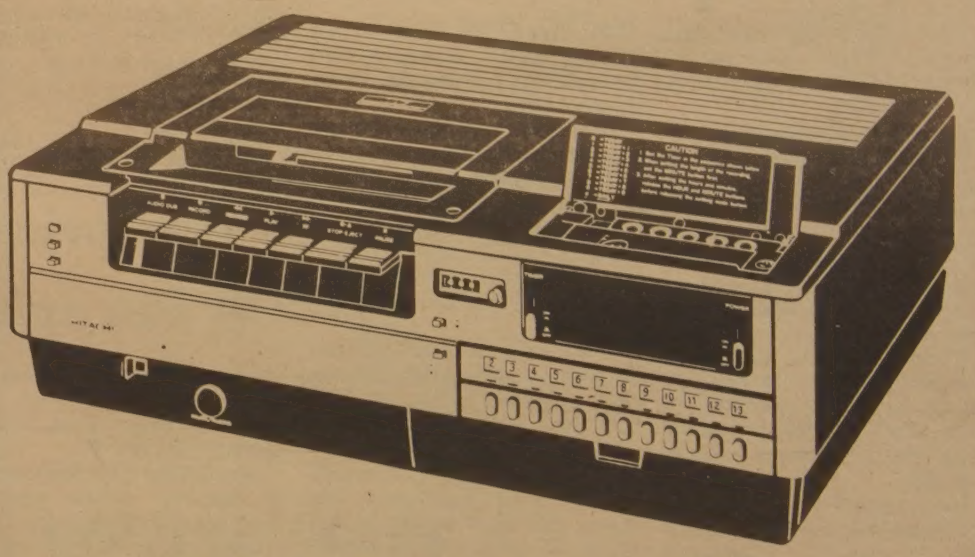

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Knights in playoff spot crush Canadore, Cambrian

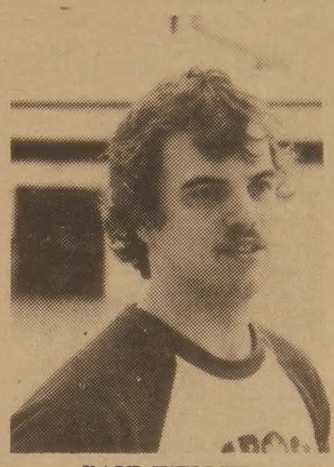
SUDBURY – The Niagara Knights made their longest road trip of the year and captured a crucial four points in their chase for a fifth and final playoff spot as they crushed Canadore College 76-52 and clobbered Cambrian College 91-58.

The wins boost the Knights' Ontario College Athletic Association record to 6-5; the first winning record the Basketball Knights have had in more than two years.

"The biggest reason we're winning is out balanced attack and the big guys are finally scoring," forward Scott Allan said.

"There are certain games we are supposed to win and when you do it, it makes a difference in a drive for the playoffs," coach Paul Deeton said.

Paul Weller turned in an excellent performance on the weekend and scored a total of 42 points against the opposition—18 of those points against the Canadore Panthers Jan. 29. Don



PAUL WELLER

Campbell scored 14 points; Steve Bull, 12; Dave Boc, 10; Scott Allan, nine; Mark Thomson, six; Pat Mirrossey, three; Bill Hand had two, while Jime Tucker and Todd Stevens had one each.

"At first Paul was the only one scoring; now Steve, Dave, Scott and Don are putting them in," coach Deeton said.

Scott and Steve teamed up against the Hawks to score 32 points on the same play. The two kept running at them with a high post option play that gave either player an open shot.

Paul Weller missed only two shots in the first half as he racked up 22 points and finished the game with 24 points. Scott Allan and Steve Bull scored 16 points each. Don Campbell scored 12 points. Dave Boc, who ran a potent offence and scored 10 points, played a superb game as he stymied the Cambrian players with his passing. Mark Thomson had six points, Pat Morrissey, who collected many offensive and defensive rebounds all weekend, scored five. Bill Hand had two points and went two for two at the foul line.

HARD WORK

"Hard work is the key," coach Deeton said. "they know about themselves and they are playing well."

"We're not letting teams have the little inside stuff because we've tightened the defence," Mark said.

The Knights' next games will be against Conestoga in Kitchener this Wednesday. Then they'll play Humber College at home Friday at 8 p.m. as a part of a double-header; the women will play that day at 6 p.m.

Winter carnival offers unique sports events

The Great White North days, Niagara College's winter carnival theme, has much to offer for the sports-minded.

STARTING TOMORROW

The sporting events start tomorrow and conclude Thursday. Tomorrow's line-up includes polar bear football, floor hockey, ski races, and tricycle races. Although not a sport, a snow sculpture contest is scheduled for tomorrow.

Wednesday will feature broomball, toboggan races, snow soccer, and blind volleyball, a game similar to the real thing except the opposition is blocked from sight.

Shopping cart races, three-legged basketball, and a tug-of-war are Thursday's scheduled events

All events are co-ed, Tony Bianco, Student Administrative Council(SAC) promotions co-ordinator, said.

Craven A, the sponsor of the events of the winter carnival, will award prizes to the winners of the sports, Tony said.

With the exception of the toboggan and shopping cart races, all events are for teams of 10 people each. The others are four to a team.

If we could, we'd like to have teams represented by the various programs in the college," Tony said.

Tony said each team can leave a list of its players at the SAC office. "When registering, the teams should write down the events they want to participate in."

Intramural volleyball begins

Attention all volleyball fanatics! Intramural volleyball season will begin this month starting with co-ed on Feb. 16 followed by men's Feb. 23. Co-ed must include at least three women and three men. Men's teams should have about seven or eight players. If interested, players should contact Peter Rylander, athletic department, and sign up as a team.

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Curling team wins prizes in fun spiel

Two members of the women's curling team won prizes in a unique bonspiel at the Welland Curling Club Jan. 30.

The Indians and Chief bonspiel is basically a fun spiel for business girls. Teams are drawn from all entrants by lot and each potluck teams participates in stunts, as well as, two eight-end games.

The team Brenda Lens, second, played on was awarded sweaters for first place. They also received a bottle of wine for performing stunts in the fastest time.

Denise Saunders, skip, won an overnight bag for participating on a team that place third.

Stunts consisted of: the first player throwing a rock into the house without sweeping: second person running upstairs and whistling after chewing a cracker; third chug-a-lugging a beer, and the fourth, taking out the rock the first person had thrown.

Coach Robert Young said the bonspiel was "good experience to get the team out" and participating. Although he would have liked to have entered the women's team together and in a more competitive bonspiel, women's bonspiels are "hard to find."

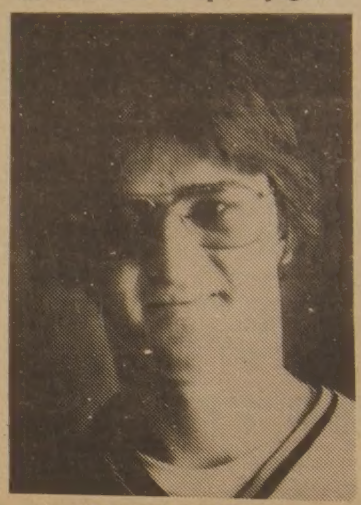
Roving Reporter

By BONNIE HARRIS
and ANNETTE PHILLIPS
Staff Writers

The Niagara News usually carries two pages of sports each week. Students were polled to see what sports they participated in, whether they followed the Niagara News sports pages and if they thought there should be more or less sports coverage.

Trish Jinks, 18, general business: "I don't read the sports pages and I don't participate in sports," the Port Colborne resident said. However, she said if the newspaper enjoys covering sports, "they should do what they want."

Carrie McManus, 18, data processing: A Niagara Falls resident, Carrie does not participate in any sports this year, but said she does read the sports pages.



ROGER LEVESQUE

Roger Levesque, 20, general business: Roger "played touch football at the beginning of the year." He reads the sports section and would like to see more sports. Roger is from Windsor.

DAVE EVANS

Dave Evans, 19, refrigeration and air conditioning: "I don't have time to play sports," Dave said. He has watched a few basketball games this year and says he reads the sports pages regularly. Dave is from Niagara Falls.

Lenard Fyke, 20, general college: Lenard is from Ridgeway and used to participate in floor hockey. He said he does not read the sports pages.

Willard Wright, 42, human relations co-ordinator: Mr. Wright said he "participates in the weight room." He "selectively reads" the sports pages and says "the coverage is fine."

MARK HINSPERGER

Mark Hinsperger, 18, law and security: Mark does not participate in sports, but has a phys-ed class. He reads the sports pages sometimes.

Barbara Wells, 22, fashion arts: From Newfoundland, Barbara does not participate in sports and is not interested in the sports section.

SHEILA ROUSSEAU

Sheila Rousseau, 20, health record technician: The Niagara Falls resident plays intramural volleyball and reads the sports pages often, although she said "there is enough (coverage) now."

Joan Custance, health sciences: Joan would like to see less sports in the paper. The Niagara Falls student said she does not participate in sports and does not read the sports pages.

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SPORTS

Team places 4th in curling bonspiel

By WENDY SHIELDS
Staff Writer

The Niagara College mixed curling team place fourth and the men's team placed fifth in the annual Hap Holman bonspiel sponsored by Mohawk College Jan. 31.

According to the rules of the bonspiel each team was awarded 10 points for a win and one point for each end. Both teams played three eight-end games in the Brantford Curling Club.

In the first game the mixed team lost to Mohawk 7 to 5. However, they recovered their losses by beating a second Mohawk team 11—7. In the seventh end Niagara was tied coming home but they stole a four ender in the last end.

Dave Fish, skip, said by the end of the second game, Niagara had accumulated 23¾ points but were still 14 points behind Fanshawe. All Fanshawe needed was three points to win the bonspiel.

In the final game, Niagara lost 5-4 to Fanshawe. Dave said he made a critical mistake by using the wrong strategy. Instead of playing to the opposing team's disadvantage, he played to their advantage. The Fanshawe skip seemed to have stronger draws than take-outs.

During the last end Dave made a heavy draw which enabled Fanshawe to take-out, roll and sit shot rock. The only shot Niagara had left was to take this rock out and gain one point.

The men's team tied 7-7 with Fanshawe, lost 2-11 to Sheridan and 8-9 to the Mohawk ladies.

The men's team consisted of Jack Pearce, lead; Carmen Angi, second; Dan Sebert, vice-skip; and Paul Beldham, skip.

Niagaras mixed team consists of Brenda Lens, spare; Mike Kalapos, second; Karen Guy, vice-skip; and Dave Fish, skip.

EXTREMELY WELL

"I couldn't have expected anything more from the team," Dave said. "both girls played extremely well under pressure." (This was one of the first game Karen had played vice-skip and Brenda, second, was not used to the keen competition of mixed curling.

Coach Robert Young said the outstanding player on the mixed team was Mike Kalapos. The rocks he threw were consistent and on the broom.

On the men's team both Paul and Dan played extremely well, he said. It is just a matter of time for the men's team to get it together in time for a regional play-offs at the end of this month.

Tempers flared when the Knights clashed with St. John Fisher College Cardinals in Rochester, N.Y.,Jan. 30. A bench-clearing brawl erupted after only three minutes and 33 seconds had elapsed into the first period, forcing cancellation of the game. The Knights are still awaiting the fate of the game. Four Knights were given one-game suspensions for their part in the fracas. [Photo by Jiggens]

Hockey brawl forces cancellation

By MIKE JIGGENS
Staff Writer

Niagara Knights' opportunity to move back into sole possession of first place in the International Collegiate Hockey League standings was shattered Jan. 30 in Rochester, N.Y. when a bench-clearing brawl forced the game to be cancelled early in the first period.

The game between the Knights and St. John Fisher College Cardinals came to a grinding halt after only three minutes and 33 seconds.

'CRAP'

"We didn't travel 100 miles to take this crap," Knights' coach Fred Bassi said after the game. "It's unfortunate that a first-place team had to be involved in this (brawl) with a last -place team." Niagara had a 6-2 record going into the game and St. John Fisher was 0-5.

The score was 1-1 when a scramble developed at the side of the Cardinals' goal at the 3:33 mark. The activity around the net prompted numerous exchanges of pushing and shoving until three major bouts quickly broke out. The remaining players on the ice paired off to restrain one another.

After the two-man officiating tandem restored order several minutes later, six players were ushered off the ice with game misconducts.

Bob Beres, Les Swain, and Gord Sexton were the Niagara combatants. Goaltender Joe Slavny, Jim Burkey, and Tom McIneny were given the rest of the night off for St. John Fisher.

The ejected players decided to leave the ice via the same exit and round two of the grudge matches erupted.

The battle spilled into the stands which sparked both benches to empty. Some of the fans were knocked from their third-row seats during the altercation.

Those players who could not make it into the stands to fight decided to exchange fisticuffs on the ice.

After separating the two armies the officials called the game following at least a 20-minute conference.

Mr. Bassi said the outcome of the game will be decided upon by a panel of neutral arbitrators from Canisius, Erie, and St. Bonaventure Colleges.

ONLY IN BUFFALO

"I'll only replay the game if it is played in Buffalo." Mr. Bassi said.

Niagara will lose the services of Beres, Swain, Sexton, and Dave Harrison for the next scheduled game Feb. 13 against St. Bonaventure College in Welland. Each was given an automatic one-game suspension for fighting in the stands.

"The league will have to take a serious look at both Niagara and St. John Fisher and decide who should remain in the league in the future," Mr. Bassi said.

Jim Long had scored Niagara's goal at 2:47 and John Burke replied for the Cardinals at 3:07.

Swingers win in overtime

Swingers played an exciting game yesterday beating the Warriors in overtime 4-3 in Women's Intramural floor hockey. Cathy Lanadon scored the final goal in overtime for the Swingers enabling them to play against the Fugitives, defending champions, for first place in the women's intramural standings.

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Year-round tan 'no sweat' at Sunspa

By ANDREW DRESCHEL
Staff Writer

North Americans are nothing if not narcissistic.

And in a society where image projection is everything, their obsessive fascination with self often provides a lucrative opportunity for service catering to sandcastle pre-occupations.

Tanning by artificial light is a case in point.

A healthy looking sun tan has long been regarded as a status symbol, but, until recently, the much-admired year-round tan was reserved for the privileged few who made migratory winter flights to warmer lands. People who lacked the wherewithal were limited to summer exposure and winter fading.

According to Susan Ricci, manager of Sunspa sun tanning studio, 206 King St., St. Catharines, it is possible to safely tan indoors throughout the year.

At $12.50 for a 30-minute session, Ms. Ricci said seven sessions under Sunspa's low pressure, mercury vapor lamps will give a good base tan for most people. After that, one session a week will generally hold the tan. However, reduced package rates are available.

The Sunspa tanning system, invented in Germany by Dr. Felix Muller, utilizes ultraviolet A rays (UVA) to oxidize melanin pigment in the skin's deeper layers to cause tanning.

Unlike ultraviolent C rays and ultraviolent B rays, the A rays are the safest and most effective for tanning. It is over exposure to C and B rays which causes the dilation of blood vessels, producing sunburn.

However, Sunspa provides eye goggles for clients because over exposure to any kind of ultraviolet light can damage the eyes, she said. Similarly, because taking "certain antibiotics can cause a reaction," they suggest clients "consult with their doctors first."

Sunspa opened in December, 1981, and, according to Ms. Ricci, it serves an average of 35 people a day.

TANNING ALL OVER

She said the figure doubles in March and April when "everyone wants to get their pre-tan."

That may not be quite as droll as it sounds. "The best guard against the sun is to already have a tan," Ms. Ricci said.

The customer lies upon a "sunbed" which emits light from below while a "sun-ceiling" shines from above, producing an over-all tan.

"Ninety per cent do it naked," Ms. Ricci said.

Because the system limits heat with a number of powerful fans, the process is virtually persperation free. "A lot of people have fallen asleep," she said. "They find it so relaxing, they don't want to get up."

But, like many of society's feather-bed novelties, the process was originally developed for purposes other than leisure. Ultraviolet lighting was originally intended to combat skin disorders. Tanning was an unlooked for side-effect.

But the majority of clients come for reasons that are more arcane than medicinal.

"I think it pertains to customers looking good and feeling better about themselves," Ms. Ricci said.

And as Narcissus discovered, appearance is everything.

See the world on 84 cents a day, Brock student explains how

By ANNETTE PHILLIPS
Staff Writer

Imagine sunbathing on the pyramids of Egypt, yacht hiking from California to Mexico, or jogging along the Colorado River, deep in the Grand Canyon — a St. Catharines student has done all these things and more.

Gil White, a 26-year-old Brock University student, has recently published a book about his adventures hitchhiking around the world.

Gil spent four months in Europe in 1980 and 1981, toured many countries and met hundreds of people — on less than $1 a day. His book, entitled Europe on 84 cents a Day, gives an incredible variety of methods that will enable any student to do the same, he says.

Gil says 84 cents is not an actual amount of money spent on any given day; "it is to show that, on the average, I spent less than $1 a day." In fact, during one five-week stretch, Gil spent nothing at all.

$1,000 ENOUGH

"If you have $1,000, it's perfectly possible to spend three to four months travelling, for instance, through Europe, the Middle East and North Africa," he said.

The book itself is written in an easy-to-read style so the reader can refer back to a section or page quickly.

Included are 27 ways to get free rides, several ways to get free accommodation, a list of all embassies in different countries, a collection of do's and don'ts for the hiker and a list of common phrases in 22 languages.

A breakdown of costs shows such items as transportation (including air fare, bus tours and boat trips) — $660 and accommodation for the entire four months — $2.75.

GIL WHITE

The low cost of accommodation was because he never spent a night in a hotel and rarely in a hostel. Each night was spent in a different country, in the home of a different family.

GREATEST OF ALL

"I ate like a king," and spent each night in comfort, Gil said. But the greatest experience of all was just being there and meeting the people.

"For myself, the best of my education so far has come not from school or from work but from travel and I look forward to more hitchhiking," he said.

He decided to write the book two days after he arrived in Europe. His book differs from other hitchhiking books because "other books ignore the basic idea of how to get rides. They are all the same."

Gil intends to return to Europe in April to promote his book and says he will "practise what I preach."

Gil says hitchhiking is not to be feared, as the old stereotype says. The secret to hiking is common sense, he said. Hitchhiking is perfectly safe.

And if you approach it properly, as outlined in his book, Gil says it should not take any longer than driving yourself all the way. "I never waited as long as 20 minutes for a ride," Gil said. "If I had to wait that long to get a ride, I probably wouldn't hitchhike."

For the student interested in the finer points of hitchhiking, the Niagara College bookstore will have the book in stock this week at a cost of about $3.

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